Minutes

Environmental Advisory Board

17 August 2016

Ogden Dunes Town Hall

The Environmental Board met on 17 August 2016 at 5:30 pm at Town Hall. Attendees were, Susan MiHalo, Kristine Sandrick, Sue Adams, Bob Cattani, and John Morris.

Kristine moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting of the Environmental Board, for 15 June 2016. Sue seconded. The motion carried.

Regarding the MS4 exemption, Jim Biancotti was not present, so no news was available.

The Septic System Coordination Work Group will hold a meeting on 18 August 2016. Susan indicated that it was not necessary for one of us to attend, as it appeared to be about Hobart.

The beach cleanup will be on the international Adopt-a-Beach day of 17 September 2016. Sue will attend the training with Susan on 7 September 2016. Bob and John will put up the banner on the Sunday before the event, 11 September 2016. When it is removed, the Septic Awareness Week banner will replace it. Kristine will put a notice about the cleanup on Facebook. She may give notice about it at the Family Fun Night, as well.

Discussion was held about distribution of the informational graphic that Doug Cannon prepared. Susan said that Luke Brennan, President of the Water Works Board, offered to include it as a flyer in the next water bill. A standard 8x11 sheet was chosen, and Kristine will get a quote for the color laser printing of 700 sheets. Luke had indicated that Republic Services might fund the printing, but we would need a ballpark figure before talking to them.

Susan tried to contact John Olsen about spraying the phragmites in Long Lake Marsh, but he has not returned the call.

The beach monitoring is proceeding and all is well. All measurements have been in limits, or merely advisory. Carson Costanza has his contract for being Polly Costanza's backup.

Sue Adams held a Dark Skies Initiative workgroup meeting on 16 August 2016. A lot of education is needed, but there is a lot of enthusiasm among some residents. They talked tentatively about a demonstration near City Hall or Gerald Scheff proposed one on Woodland Trail. He is also working on a master plan with the Building Code Review Committee. This would specify the outdoor lighting in new construction. An informational presentation was proposed for October or November. Vicky Albritton will discuss the effect on animals. Dan Manas will prepare some video demonstration of the difference with directed lighting. Sue discussed getting the Bells of Beverly Shores to come.

Regarding nearby industries, Susan had noted air deposition of graphite a couple of weeks ago. She didn't know which industry was responsible. Kristine said iron oxide had deposited on her area, and that was most certainly AMROX.

No CSOs have been reported during this latest rainfall.

Bob moved to adjourn and Sue seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Submitted by John Morris.